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File Number: 20190757

Dear Requester:

This letter is intended to acknowledge the receipt of your recent Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received by the United States Secret Service (Secret Service) on May 20, 2019, for information pertaining to Records relating to or mentioning Hacking Team, including communications (i.e. emails, memos, letters, etc.) to or from the organization, contracts, bids and invoices to or from the organization, as well as any records relating to the 2015 hack of the organization, the subsequent release of their files and the republication of their emails on the WikiLeaks website..

Please be advised, provisions of the Act allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. We shall charge you for the records in accordance with Interim FOIA regulations as they apply to "media" requesters. The first 100 pages of duplication are free of charge. As a "media" requester, you will be charged .10 cents a page for the duplication of each additional page.

Furthermore, the submission of your request is considered a firm commitment, by you, to pay all applicable duplication and search time costs charged, under 6 C.F.R., Chapter I, Part 5 § 5.11, up to \$25.00. A search for files responsive to your request is being conducted. The appropriate components of the Secret Service are being queried for responsive documents. If any responsive records are located, they will be reviewed for a disclosure determination. You will be contacted before any additional fees are accrued.

Due to the increasing number of FOIA requests received by this office, we may encounter some delay in processing your request. As your request seeks documents that will require a thorough and wide-ranging search, the Secret Service will invoke a 10-day extension for your request pursuant to 6 C.F.R., Part 5 § 5.5(c). If you would like to narrow the scope of your request, please contact our office. We will make every effort to comply with your request in a timely manner. Additionally,

per Section 5.5(a) of the FOIA regulations, 6 C.F.R, Chapter I, Part 5, Secret Service processes FOIA requests according to their order of receipt.

Your request has been assigned FOIA File No. 20190757. We solicit your cooperation and assure you that the search will be conducted as expeditiously as possible.

To check the status of your FOIA request, please contact this office at (202) 406-6370. Please use the file number indicated above in all future correspondence with this office.

Thank you,

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